

Applicant: Kari Sipilä et al.
Application No.: 09/881,608
Art Unit: 1731

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Remarks

Claims 1-21 remain pending in the application. In the Office communication dated July 16, 2003, the examiner found that the response filed on May, 2003, was not fully responsive to the prior office action because the rejection of claims 3, and 5-7 under § 112, 2nd paragraph, was not treated. Further, the examiner suggested how claim 1 could be further clarified.

Applicant has amended claim 1 replacing "and papermaking, and" with "and papermaking; and". Applicant has also amended claim one to provide an antecedent basis for the word "rejects".

Claims 3 and 5-7 have been amended to clarify the waste fraction to which applicants are referring. Claim 16 has been amended to provide a space after the number of the parent claim.

Applicant believes that no new matter has been added by this amendment, and that the claims as now amended are fully responsive to the prior Office Action dated February 4, 2003, and to the Office Communication dated July 16, 2003.

Applicant submits that the claims, as amended, are in condition for allowance. Favorable action thereon is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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